



Your reference: n/a

Our reference: FOI_24_0003

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Date: 30/01/2024

Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_24_0003

On 03/01/2024 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

1. Could you provide me with data for the number of reports made to your force in relation to doorstep parcel thefts from January 2022 to December 2022 (where parcels left outside people's homes have been stolen).
2. Can the data be sent in a spreadsheet detailing numbers for each month, the value of the property stolen, and, where possible, the description of the items inside the parcel.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire Constabulary holds some relevant information.

Police Forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the data. It should be noted that for these reasons the figures given relate to information from the specific recording system of Gloucestershire Constabulary and should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you receive.

Please note that our systems are designed to record information for policing purposes and the investigation of crime and not to extract statistical information. Accordingly whilst we endeavour to extract relevant data within the time limits of the Act, any data supplied is subject to these limitations.

I can confirm that a search for crimes recorded from 01/01/2022 to 31/12/2022 whereby the offence recorded was 42 - Theft of mail bag or postal packet. The MOs of the resultant crimes have been manually reviewed to ascertain if they meet the criteria above.

1. I can confirm that 7 crimes appear to be relevant to your request.

2. Two were recorded in January, one in June, two in November and two in December. The values, where recorded, were as follows:

£1,049
£50
£295
£25
£465
£67.99

The property items reported stolen, where recorded, were as follows:

Mobile phone
Clothing x 2
Food item

If you are not satisfied with this response or any actions taken in dealing with your request, you have the right to ask that we review your case under our internal procedure. Please note that a request for an internal review must be made within 20 working days of the response to your original request.

If you decide to request that such a review is undertaken and following this process you are still unsatisfied, you then have the right to direct your complaint to the Information Commissioner for consideration.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following means:

Website - <https://ico.org.uk/>

Call their helpline - 0303 123 1113

Email - casework@ico.org.uk

Post –

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Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely,

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